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Subject: Monticello Millsite Time Schedule

Dear Mr. Nguyen:

The following information is provided in relation to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) request that the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Millsite be completed within 18 months of the signed Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) and not 24 months as proposed by the Department of Energy (DOE). As you are aware the DOE submitted the Draft Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) to EPA and the State of Utah for review on May 1, 1989, 4.5 months ahead of schedule. Since the submittal of the draft RI/FS eliminated 4.5 months from the schedule, the ROD is achievable within 18 months (August, 1990) of the effective date of the FFA. In addition, the completion of the ROD within this timeframe is also based upon the fact that no additional site characterization or investigations are required.

A revised Time Schedule, reflecting the early submittal of the RI/FS and finalization of the ROD, is being prepared and will be submitted within the next several days. DOE will continue efforts to accelerate the schedule whenever possible. However, given the consequences of missing deadlines established by the Time Schedule, the Department must continue to propose realistic and achievable schedules.

If you have any questions on the above, please contact me at FTS 326-6009 or (303)248-6009.

Sincerely,

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